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MANY SHIPS RUNNING NATIONALIST BLOCKADE

MORE SHIPS TO SHANG-HAI -- Hsin-sheng Wan-pao, 20 Nov 49

The detaining of the Greek steamer Amasya, the British steamships Chi-nan, Ho-sheng, and Lu-i-szu-mo-la [Chinese approximations of English names], or the shelling of the US ship Flying Cloud, have not discouraged shipping companies from operating between Hong Kong and Shang-hai. On the contrary, more ships are going to Shang-hai each month.

Although the names of the ships putting into the port are not disclosed by the Shang-hai port authorities, it is reported that the following four ships were scheduled to put in at Shang-hai during November 1949: Ning-hai of the Taikoo Navigation Company, I-sheng of the Jardine and Matheson Line, the British steamer Yen-wu, and the Norwegian ship Yung-p'ing. The British steamers which were released and returned to Hong Kong by the Nationalists during the past few days reported that the four ships mentioned above were anchored off Ch'ung-ming Tao at the mouth of the Ch'ang Chiang (Yangtze River).

9 SHIPS RUN BLOCKADE -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 27 Nov 49

Nine ships, the Hsin-shun-li, Ta-chung-shan, Shan-hsi, Ho-lo, Chieh-sheng, Fu-hua, Lung-mei, Pa-na-la-pa, and one other, returned safely to Hong Kong from their recent trips to ports in Communist China. The steamship Ta-chung-shan returned from Yen-t'ai, carrying 1,843 tons of cargo; the Chieh-sheng returned from Ch'ing-tao. A passenger on the Chieh-sheng said that the Communists seem to be having difficulty rebuilding cities they have captured. So far very little has been done in the repairing and clearing of war damages in Ch'ing-tao. At present, there are about 400 Russians, 15 British, and a total of 40 Americans, French, and Italians living in that city. Other than a restriction on their movements, they are not bothered by the Communists.

NATIONALIST BLOCKADE UNEFFECTIVE -- Wen-hui Pao, 13 Nov 49

The Bureau of Merchandise Inspection announced recently that during the period from 15 to 26 October 1949, despite the Nationalist blockade, the following products were exported from Shang-hai [a quintal equals 100 kilograms]:

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Tea leaves	1,307	cases	totaling	502.28	quintals
Hog bristles	150	"	"	90.72	"
Fruits	367	"	"	356.10	"
Vegetables	408	"	"	465.0	"
Bean products	179	"	"	181.5	"
Wool	173	"	"	415.56	"
Ham	258	"	"	420.5	"

RUNNING OF BLOCKADE NOT EASY -- Hsin-shen Wan-pao, 26 Nov 49

Although ships are now operating between Hong Kong and ports in Communist China on a relatively more regular schedule since the Nationalists lost their naval base on the Ch'ang-shan Island, not all of them come through without being detained. The Colon, under the Honduras flag, was detained by the blockaders for 40 days during the return trip from Ch'ing-tao to Hong Kong. This ship is actually owned by a Chinese in Hong Kong.

SS HAI-T'IEH ARRIVES AT KEELUNG -- Hsin-sheng Wan-pao, 23 Nov 49

The China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company announced that the steamship Hai-t'ien, which the officials of its Hong Kong branch thought might have gone over to the Communist en route from Calcutta to Hong Kong, arrived at Keelung, Taiwan. The company reports that the 2,000 tons of coal the ship was carrying to Hong Kong are being transferred to another ship which will sail from Keelung within the next few days.

SHIPPING RESUMES ON HSI CHIANG -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 27 Nov 49

Kuang-chou, 26 November -- River-boat traffic on the Hsi Chiang (West River) resumed on 27 November 1949 between Kung-chou and Wu-chou.

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